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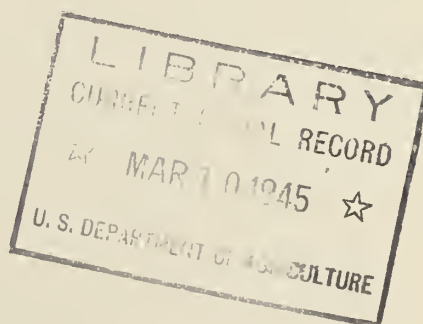
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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

Supplies of fresh fruits and vegetables on the Fort Worth market are not liberal but there is a wide assortment of products for January. Tomatoes from Texas and Mexico and a full line of citrus fruits are available as sources of vitamin C and are recommended to sufferers from colds or for those who want to avoid such maladies. The list of fresh vegetable offerings includes: broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, carrots, collards, onions, and turnips but the supplies of lettuce, green peppers, eggplant, cucumbers, beans and peas are now light. Sweet potatoes and new Irish potatoes from Idaho, Colorado, and California. In general, warm season vegetables are rather scarce but some are coming in, mostly from Florida. As the season advances more beans, cucumbers, eggplant, and peppers are expected.

Among the best buys at this time for the consumers of Texas are apples, carrots, cabbage, Texas citrus, onions, sweet potatoes, new Irish potatoes, and old potatoes.

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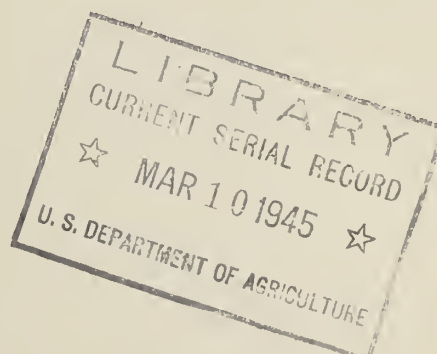
The winter supplies of many fruits and vegetables on the Fort Worth Market have been liberal, but the situation this week has been changed with respect to certain products. The supplies of old potatoes are quite limited and some of the popular varieties and sizes of apples are not available since Northwestern stocks have been set aside to meet the requirements of the armed forces. Refrigerator cars in the Imperial Valley of California have been so short for shipment of lettuce that loadings for long hauls have been temporarily shut off. Vegetable shipments by rail from the Lower Rio Grande Valley were also interrupted because of inadequate available refrigeration cars at loading points.

When one sees ample, varied, and attractive assortments of fruits and vegetables on display in the stores he does not always realize that they may have been transported long distances under refrigeration. When one gets plenty of these perishable products on his table in season and out of season he gives little thought to the equipment required to put them there, but the heavy war time demands on the carriers sometimes taxes their ability under present conditions to provide sufficient cars at the time and place needed. This week shortages have been reported in such widely scattered localities as Aroostook County, Maine, and Imperial County, California, San Luis, and Arkansas Valleys, Colorado and in South Texas, and Mexico. As a rule such shortages of available cars is very temporary and local.

Even such important railroad centers as Fort Worth and Dallas commonly draw many of their vegetable supplies from the producing districts by truck. Many such commodities are hauled in from the Lower Rio Grande Valley and other sections within reasonable distances. Most of these foods are coming in sufficient quantity

Supplies of warm season crops such as: peppers, summer squash, green beans, cucumbers and egg plants are not yet available in such amounts as to lower the prices.

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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

Attractive displays and varied assortments of fresh fruits and vegetables continue to be made in Fort Worth with plenty of consumer appeal. Most fruits and vegetables in season at this time are offered to the public daily and limited quantities of the more tender or sensitive vegetables are available although they thrive best at much higher field temperatures than have been reported here recently.

In some respects the Fort Worth and Dallas markets are especially fortunate in having access to either rail or truck receipts in quantity. Railroad facilities normally afford excellent service for carlot arrivals. In case of any interruption of car loadings in the nearby producing sections such as occurred last week, trucks continue to bring in the desired products. Yet embargoes on shipments by rail do not always affect these particular markets. This week, for example, commercial shipments and diversions of fresh fruits and vegetables from the important districts of the South and the West are mostly excluded from the thickly populated North Atlantic States, the north side of the Ohio River Valley, and the eastern part of the Great Lakes area. Texas consuming centers are permitted to receive fruits and vegetable shipments as usual, in spite of the embargo.

Attention is especially called to the supplies of Texas grown vegetables and fruits which are available now. These include beets, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, carrots, grapefruit, oranges, spinach, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, and turnips.

Fort Worth and Dallas are also freely drawing upon producing sections of California for avocados, celery, lemons, lettuce, and oranges. Arrivals from Florida include green beans, celery, eggplant, peppers, and squash. Colorado supplies onions and limited quantities of potatoes. Occasional shipments of potatoes continue to arrive from Idaho and restricted supplies of Northwestern apples are still offered.

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